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1. GA PLENARY -- RECOMMENDATIONS OF COMMITTEES 2, 3 AND SPECIAL POLITICAL; DECOLONIZATION

IN ACTION TAKEN DEC. 16, THE GA DEPLORED ISRAELI MEASURES IN OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES, CALLED ON CHILEAN AUTHORITIES TO RESOLVE HUMAN RIGHTS WITHOUT DELAY, ACTED ON, AMONG OTHER THINGS, ECONOMIC COOPERATION, FOOD, SPECIAL FUND; ELECTED MEMBERS TO THE UNEP GOVERNING COUNCIL AND TO SPECIAL FUND BOARD OF GOVERNORS; AND HEARD FOUR MORE STATEMENTS ON DECOLONIZATION AND RIGHTS OF REPLY. TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO INTRODUCED THREE DRAFT RESOLUTIONS, ONE OF WHICH WOULD CALL FOR CONVENING AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLES OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA, TO BE HELD IN MAPUTO IN APRIL/MAY 1977.

THE FOLLOWING WERE ELECTED TO THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE UN ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM: CHAD, GHANA, IVORY COAST, SENEGAL, TANZANIA, BANGLADESH, CHINA, INDONESIA, PHILIPPINES, SYRIA, UNCLASSIFIED

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BULGARIA, YUGOSLAVIA, ARGENTINA, GUATEMALA, JAMAICA, CANADA, FRANCE, SPAIN AND NORWAY.

THE FOLLOWING 11 MEMBERS WERE ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE UN SPECIAL FUND (ONE REMAINING MEMBER TO BE DESIGNATED BY THE WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHER STATES GROUP): MADAGASCAR, MALI, CAMEROON, FIJI, IRAN, SYRIA, YUGOSLAVIA, ECUADOR, GRENADA, THE NETHERLANDS AND THE UK. ECOSOC WAS AUTHORIZED AT ITS ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION IN 1977 TO ELECT THE ADDITIONAL MEMBER FROM AMONG THE WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHER STATES.

-- SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS --

RESOLUTIONS ON ISRAELI PRACTICES IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES WERE ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS: RES A (SETTLEMENTS) -- 129-3(US, ISRAEL, HAITI)-4(COSTA RICA, LIBERIA, MALAWI, NICARAGUA); RES B (APPLICABILITY OF GENEVA CONVENTION) -- 134(US)-0-2(ISRAEL,

HAITI); RES C (ONMIBUS) -- 100-5(US, ISRAEL, COSTA RICA, HAITI, NICARAGUA)-30 (EC-9, AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA, BEHAMAS, BARBADOS, BOLIVIA, CANADA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, EL SALVADOR, ICELAND, JAPAN, LIBERIA, MALAWI, NEW ZEALAND, NORWAY, PARAGUAY, SURINAM, SWAZILAND, SWEDEN, URUGUAY, VENEZUELA); RES D (QUNEITRA) -- 97-3(ISRAEL, COSTA RICA, NICARAGUA)-36(SAME AS ON RES C PLUS ECUADOR, FINLAND, HAITI, IVORY COAST, PORTUGAL, US). ABSENT THROUGHOUT VOTING WERE ANGOLA, CAPE VERDE, DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA, FIJI, GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, SAMOA, SEYCHELLES, SOUTH AFRICA. PRIOR TO THE VOTES ISRAEL (HERZOG), SYRIA (ALLAF) AND SAUDI ARABIA (BAROODY) GAVE EXPLANATIONS OF VOTES IN WHICH THEY RESTATED WELL-KNOWN VIEWS ON ISRAELI OCCUPATION POLICIES AND PRACTICES AS WELL AS OVERALL MIDDLE EAST QUESTION. (USUN 6234)

-- COMMITTEE 2 RECOMMENDATIONS --

RESOLUTIONS ARISING FROM UNEP ITEM (A/31/415) WERE ADOPTED, UNCLASSIFIED

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ALL BUT RES III WITHOUT VOTE, AS FOLLOWS: RES I, ARRANGEMENTS FOR UN CONFERENCE ON DESERTIFICATION; RES II, URGING GOVERNMENTS TO TAKE HABITAT RECOMMENDATIONS INTO ACCOUNT AND THE SYG TO CONVENE REGIONAL MEETINGS TO ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR DEALING WITH HUMAN SETTLEMENTS; RES III, LIVING CONDITIONS OF PALESTINIANS -- 107-2(USRAEL, US)-26(EC-9, AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA, BOLIVIA, CANADA, COSTA RICA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, FIJI, FINLAND, GUATEMALA, ICELAND, NEW ZEALAND, NICARAGUA, NORWAY, PARAGUAY, PORTUGAL, SWEDEN, URUGUAY); RES IV, ENDORSING REPORT OF UNEP GOVERNING COUNCIL; V, DECIDING TO MAINTAIN AT THIS STAGE THE PRESENT INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL COOPERATION; VI, SPECIFIC MEASURES TO MEET THE NEED FOR A DECENT LIVING ENVIRONMENT OF THE MOST VULNERABLE SOCIAL GROUPS; VII, POSSIBILITIES FOR COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE UN AND CONCERNED NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS; VIII, DECIDING TO ESTABLISH A UN AUDIO-VISUAL INFORMATION CENTER ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS; IX, DEFERRING UNTIL NEXT YEAR DECISION ON INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS. ALSO APPROVED WERE DRAFT DECISIONS RELATING TO IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HABITAT CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATIONS; AND NOTING SYG'S REPORT ON CRITERIA GOVERNING MULTILATERAL FINANCING OF HOUSING AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS.

JAPAN CALLED ATTENTION TO THE UNDERSTANDING IN COMMITTEE 2 THAT IF A MEMBER OFFERED TO HOST THE DESERTIFICATION CONFERENCE THE SYG WOULD BE EMPOWERED TO MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS TO DEAL WITH THE CHANGE OF VENUE, ALWAYS PROVIDED IT WOULD NOT GIVE RISE TO ANY ADDITIONAL COSTS UNDER THE REGULAR BUDGET. THE GA AGREED TO ACT ON THE RESOLUTION ON THE SAME UNDERSTANDING. THE ISRAELI DEL SAID IT WANTED TO PUT ON

RECORD STRONG OPPOSITION TO THE PARTICIPATION OF THE
PLO IN WHATEVER CAPACITY AT THE DESERTIFICATION CONFERENCE.

IFAD AND WORLD FOOD COUNCIL -- THE GA DECIDED THAT THE
SYG SHALL RELEASE FROM THE UN SPECIAL FUND \$9,981,851
CONTRIBUTED BY NORWAY AND VENEZUELA, HAVING TAKEN NOTE OF THEIR
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DECLARED INTENTION TO CONTRIBUTE THOSE AMOUNTS TO IFAD, BY
VOTE OF 56(INCLUDING US, WEO'S EXCEPT GREECE AND MALTA, MOST
OPEC COUNTRIES)-12(AFGHANISTAN, DEMOCRATIC YEMEN, EGYPT,
ETHIOPIA, GUATEMALA, GUYANA, MALAYSIA, NIGER, PAKISTAN,
SOMALIA, CAMEROON, UPPER VOLTA)-64(INCLUDING ALGERIA,
CHINA, LIBYA, INDONESIA, NIGERIA, 10 SOV BLOC, CUBA).
WITHOUT VOTE THREE OTHER RESOLUTIONS WERE APPROVED WHICH: I,
DECIDED ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC)
SECRETARIAT; II, REQUESTED THE WFC TO PROMOTE THE IMPLEMENTA-
TION OF THE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE 1974 WORLD FOOD
CONFERENCE AND BY THE SEVENTH SPECIAL GA; AND III,
EXPRESSED APPRECIATION TO GOVERNMENTS FOR PLEDGES TO IFAD AND
TO THE SYG AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL
FOR THEIR EFFORTS TOWARD IFAD'S ESTABLISHMENT. THE GA TOOK
NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS ON THE SECOND AND
THIRD SESSIONS OF THE UN SPECIAL FUND.

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UN UNIVERSITY--TWO RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE WHICH: I, ENCOURAGED UNU TO CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS AND APPEALED TO STATES TO MAKE SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO ITS ENDOWMENT FUND AND GIVE FINANCIAL AND OTHER SUPPORT TO SPECIFIC PROGRAMS; AND II, INVITED INTERESTED COUNTRIES TO CONSULT WITH THE UNIVERSITY COUNCIL AND ITS RECTOR CONCERNING A NONALIGNED PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY A CHAIR ON NONALIGNMENT.

IN A RESOLUTION ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE, THE GA REQUESTED SUPPORT FOR SUCH MEASURES FROM THE UN SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING UNCTAD, AND URGED APPROPRIATE SUPPORT, AS AND WHEN REQUESTED, FROM THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. ALSO WITHOUT VOTE, THE GA INVITED THE UN INSTITUTE FOR TRAINING AND RESEARCH TO CONTINUE ITS WORK ON ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL TRAINING AND RESEARCH, AND EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT UNITAR WOULD HAVE GREATER AND WIDER FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM MEMBER STATES AND ORGANIZATIONS.

--COMMITTEE 3 ITEMS--

ECOSOC REPORT: FIVE RESOLUTIONS (A/31/395) RECOMMENDED BY ECOSOC WERE APPROVED AS FOLLOWS: I, ON INTERNATIONAL YEAR FOR DISABLED PERSONS--WITHOUT VOTE; II, ON PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE-- 95-12(ARGENTINA, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CHILE, COSTA RICA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, GUATEMALA, HONDURAS, NICARAGUA, PANAMA, PARAGUAY, URUGUAY)-25 (US, FIJI, EL SALVADOR, FRANCE, FRG, INDONESIA, ISRAEL, IVORY COAST, JORDAN, LEBANON, LIBERIA, MALAWI, MALAYSIA, MALDIVES, MOROCCO, NEPAL, NIGER, OMAN, PERU, PHILIPPINES, SAUDI ARABIA, UNCLASSIFIED

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SPAIN, SURINAM, THAILAND, UGANDA), WITH ECUADOR, HAITI, GRENADA AND CHINA AMONG THOSE ABSENT; III, ON ACCESSION TO AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 1971 CONVENTION ON PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES--WITHOUT VOTE; IV, CALLING FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR SOUTH AFRICAN REFUGEE STUDENTS, AS AMENDED BY NIGERIA TO ASK THE SYG TO CONSULT NOT ONLY WITH BOTSWANA, LESOTHO AND SWAZILAND, BUT ALSO WITH "THE MEMBERS OF LIBERATION MOVEMENTS CONCERNED" WITH VIEW TO PROVIDING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE, ACCEPTED 90-0-29--RES AS WHOLE WITHOUT OBJECTION; V, MEASURES TO IMPROVE THE SITUATION AND ENSURE THE HUMAN RIGHTS AND DIGNITY OF ALL MIGRANT WORKERS--WITHOUT VOTE.

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION TO SPEED UP ITS WORK ON THE ELABORATION OF A DRAFT DECLARATION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF INTOLERANCE AND DISCRIMINATION BASED ON RELIGION OR BELIEF WAS ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE.

RESOLUTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT (A/31/420) WAS ADOPTED 126-0-8(FRG, HAITIA, ISRAEL, ITALY, LUXEMBOURG, NETHERLANDS, UK, US).

YOUTH: FOUR RESOLUTIONS (A/31/406) RELATING TO YOUTH WERE ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTES WHICH DEALT WITH: I, POLICIES AND PROGRAMS RELATING TO YOUTH; II, ROLE OF YOUTH; III, UN VOLUNTEERS PROGRAM; AND IV, CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATIONS WITH YOUTH AND YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS.

WOMEN: FIVE RESOLUTIONS (A/31/407) UNDER ITEM ON UN DECADE FOR WOMEN WERE ALSO ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE: I, VOLUNTARY FUND FOR THE UN DECADE FOR WOMEN; II, IMPROVEMENT OF STATUS AND ROLE OF WOMEN IN EDUCATION; III, INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN; IV, UN DECADE FOR WOMEN; AND V, PLEDGING CONFERENCE FOR UN CONFERENCE FOR WOMEN.

RESOLUTION ON COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE IN THE APPLICATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATIONS FOR SOCIAL PROGRESS UNCLASSIFIED

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AND DEVELOPMENT (A/31/434) WAS ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE. TWO DRAFT DECISIONS WERE ALSO APPROVED WITHOUT VOTE WHICH DEFERRED, FOR LACK OF TIME, ITEMS ON FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (A/31/432) AND ON UN CONFERENCE FOR AN INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON ADOPTION LAW (A/31/433) AND DECIDED TO INCLUDE THEM IN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE 32ND SESSION.

--DECOLONIZATION--

AS THE GA RESUMED DEBATE ON DECOLONIZATION DEC. 16, ABDULAH (TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO) INTRODUCED THE FOLLOWING DRAFT RESOLUTIONS: 1) PROPOSING THE CONVENING OF AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLES OF ZIMBABWE AND NAMIBIA IN MAPUTO IN APRIL/MAY 1977 (A/31/L.31); 2) REAFFIRMING GA'S RECOGNITION OF THE LEGITIMACY OF STRUGGLE OF PEOPLES UNDER COLONIAL AND ALIEN DOMINATION TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE "BY ALL THE NECESSARY MEANS AT THEIR DISPOSAL" (L.29); AND 3) CALLING FOR CONTINUATION OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE UN IN THE DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION ON DECOLONIZATION (L.30). HE SAID THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY'S REJECTION OF THE TURNHALL TALKS AND THE HALTING PROGRESS OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE ON RHODESIA BROUGHT INTO FOCUS THE NEED FOR ACTION TO REMOVE THE LAST VESTIGES OF COLONIALISM IN THE AREA.

POLISH REP NICINSKI CALLED FOR INTENSIFIED PRESSURE AND SAID THE SMITH REGIME SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO EXPLOIT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE. HE MENTIONED CONTINUED ECONOMIC AND MILITARY COLLABORATION OF CERTAIN NATO MEMBERS, AND HE HOPED THE SC WOULD SOON TAKE EFFECTIVE MEASURES AGAINST THE PRETORIA AND SALISBURY REGIMES ALONG THE LINES OF THE LATEST COMITE 4 RECOMMENDATIONS. PAKISTANI REP NARU ENDORSED THE COMITE OF 24 RECOMMENDATIONS AND SAID THE GENEVA NEGOTIATIONS WERE OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE FOR WORLD PEACE AND SECURITY BUT THE WORLD COMMUNITY MUST REMAIN ALERT TO TAKE ACTION TO DEFEAT ANY ATTEMPT TO DELAY THE TRANSFER OF POWER.

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CUBAN PERMREP ALARCON, FOLLOWING EXTENSIVE REMARKS ON SOUTH AFRICA AND DECOLONIZATION IN GENERAL, CITED THE STATEMENT BY THE COMITE OF 24 CHAIRMAN ON PUERTO RICO AS A POSITIVE DEVELOPMENT AND PARAPHRASED THAT STATEMENT. HE SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THE IMPERIALIST PRESS HAD TRIED TO INTERPRET THE STATEMENT AS A DEFEAT FOR THOSE WHO SUPPORT THE STRUGGLE

OF THE PEOPLE OF PUERTO RICO, JUST THE OPPOSITE IS TRUE.
ALARCON THEN TURNED TO THE TRUST TERRITORY. HE SAID THAT THE
US HAS DECIDED TO REPRODUCE IN THE NORTHERN MARIANAS
THE COLONIAL STRUCTURE OF PUERTO RICO. HE BRIEFLY CITED HOUSE
AND SENATE APPROVAL OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS COMPACT AND SAID
THAT THE SIGNATURE OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BILL CANNOT BE ALLOWED
TO SEAL THE DOOM OF THE PEOPLE OF THE NORTHERN MARIANAS.
ALARCON DESCRIBED THE ATTITUDE OF THE US CONCERNING THE
TRUST TERRITORY AS TYPICAL OF A COLONIALIST POLICY.
HE SAID THE US HAD VIOLATED THE CHARTER, IMPOSED COLONIAL
DOMINATION, PLUNDERED THE NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE TRUST
TERRITORY, KEPT THE PEOPLE IN A STATE OF POVERTY. HE SAID
THAT THE US WAS NOT INTERESTED IN THE WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE
OF THE TRUST TERRITORY. ALARCON CONCLUDED THAT THE CONDUCT
OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL REGARDING THE TRUST TERRITORY
WAS UNACCEPTABLE AND THAT THE COMITE OF 24 SHOULD GO
INTO THE QUESTION IN DEPTH.

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--RIGHTS OF REPLY--

SOMALIA (HASSEN) DISAGREED WITH THE FRENCH STATEMENT THAT THE DEBATE ON FRENCH SOMALILAND HAD BEEN TO OBTAIN A RENUNCIATION OF CLAIMS OVER THE TERRITORY BY THE TWO NEIGHBORING STATES. SOMALIA REJECTED ANY SUGGESTION THAT THE QUESTION WAS AN ISSUE BETWEEN TWO NEIGHBORING STATES. SOMALIA, HE SAID, WOULD RECOGNIZE THE INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF FRENCH SOMALILAND IN CONFORMITY WITH THE CHARTER. A FUTURE INDEPENDENT FRENCH SOMALILAND WAS CAPABLE OF LOOKING AFTER ITS OWN INTERESTS, AND NO ONE SHOULD HAVE A MANDATED RIGHT TO BE A GUARANTOR OF THOSE PEOPLES' RIGHTS. ETHIOPIA TRIED TO GIVE THE RESOLUTION AN INTERPRETATION IT COULD NOT REASONABLY HAVE; ITS ONLY OBJECTIVE WAS DECOLONIZATION OF FRENCH SOMALILAND.

ETHIOPIA (IBRAHIM) DISMISSED THE SOMALI STATEMENT AS "IRRELEVANT AND SUPERFLUOUS". HE RECALLED THE FORMAL RESERVATION SOMALIA MADE AT THE 30TH GA WHEN RES 3480 (XXX) WAS ADOPTED, I.E., ON CALL ON ALL STATES TO RENOUNCE ANY CLAIMS TO THE TERRITORY. ALSO, AT THE 27TH EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE OAU LIBERATION COMITE, SOMALIA MADE FORMAL RESERVATION WHEN THAT ORGAN DECLARED THAT "THE OAU MEMBER STATES, IN PARTICULAR ETHIOPIA AND SOMALIA, HAVE COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO GUARANTEE AND RESPECT THE INDEPENDENCE AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE SO-CALLED FRENCH SOMALILAND (DJIBOUTI)...". SOMALIA MUST ANSWER THE QUESTION: DID IT HAVE A TERRITORIAL CLAIM TO DJIBOUTI? IF NOT, WHY DID IT MAKE A RESERVATION? AS LONG AS SOMALIA DID NOT PROVIDE AN UNEQUIVOCAL ANSWER, THE ONLY CONCLUSION WAS THAT IT CONTINUED TO MAINTAIN ITS TERRITORIAL CLAIM.

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THE SOMALI REP REPLIED THAT HE SAW NOTHING NEW IN THE ETHIOPIAN STATEMENT. SOMALIA, HE SAID, "RESPECTS AND HONORS THE INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE FUTURE STATE OF FRENCH SOMALILAND". (DECOLONIZATION PORTION REPEATED INFO ADDIS ABABA, LONDON, MOGADISCIO, PRETORIA, HICOMTERPACIS, DEPT PASS OMSN AND DOTA, HICOM TO STATUS LNO)

2. CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE--CONCLUDES WORK

THE COMITE DEC. 16 APPROVED THE CREDENTIALS OF ALL MEMBER STATES WHICH HAD SUBMITTED THEIR CREDENTIALS SINCE THE COMITE'S NOV. 2 MEETING, AND ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION A DRAFT RESOLUTION UNDER WHICH THE GA WOULD APPROVE THE COMITE'S REPORT. IT WAS AGREED THAT, IN VIEW OF THE LATE ENTRY INTO THE UN OF SAMOA, ITS DELEGATION WOULD TAKE PART IN THE WORK OF THE GA ON A PROVISIONAL BASIS. UN LEGAL COUNSEL SUY REPORTED THAT FOUR MEMBER STATES HAD NOT SUBMITTED THEIR CREDENTIALS. HIS OFFICE HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH THE PERMANENT MISSIONS CONCERNED AND HAD BEEN ASSURED THAT CREDENTIALS WOULD BE FORTHCOMING FROM THE RESPECTIVE CAPITALS, HE SAID.

3. COMMITTEE 5--UNCTAD, UNEF/UNDOF, PENSIONS, ACCOMMODATIONS

THE COMITE DEC. 15 APPROVED \$1,977,900 IN SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR UNCTAD, STEMMING FROM THE FOURTH SESSION IN NAIROBI. SOME OF THE UNCTAD POSTS CUT BY ACABQ WERE RESTORED, ON A PROPOSAL BY SRI LANKA, BY VOTE OF 66-17 (US, EE'S, SOME WEO'S)-7. BY CONSENSUS, \$797,500 WAS APPROVED FOR 1976/77 PROGRAM BUDGET TO IMPLEMENT ECOSOC DECISIONS IN 1976. UNEF/UNDOF FINANCING WAS DISCUSSED, AND DEBATE BEGUN ON PROPOSALS FOR A NEW SYSTEM FOR ADJUSTING PENSIONS PAID TO FORMER UN STAFF MEMBERS TO COMPENSATE FOR DIFFERENCES IN PURCHASING POWER IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES AS WELL AS FOR CHANGES IN COST OF LIVING AND IN CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES. WITHOUT DISCUSSION THE COMITE ADOPTED BY CONSENSUS SYG'S

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AND ACABQ REPORTS ON UN ACCOMMODATIONS IN ADDIS ABABA, BANGKOK, SANTIAGO, NAIROBI AND THE PALAIS DES NATIONS. IN DISCUSSION OF UNCTAD, UK PROPOSED THAT LIMITED ACCESS MEETINGS QUESTION BE REFERRED TO COMITE ON CONFERENCES, AS ACABQ SUGGESTED. SRI LANKA DISTRIBUTED DRAFT DECISION WHICH PROVIDED INTER ALIA THAT THE QUESTION OF SERVICING

MEETINGS SHOULD BE REFERRED TO UNCTAD. US ASKED WHETHER UK AND SRI LANKAN PROPOSALS WERE INCOMPATIBLE AND WHICH HAD PRIORITY, AND REPLY WAS DEFERRED TO A SUBSEQUENT MEETING. (USUN 6221, 6232)

4. SPECIAL FUND BOARD CANCELS SESSION--

UN ANNOUNCED BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF UN SPECIAL FUND, CREATED IN 1974 TO ASSIST COUNTRIES SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY ECONOMIC CRISES, HAS CANCELLED SPECIAL SESSION SCHEDULED FOR DEC. 16-17, BUT WILL HOLD ITS FOURTH SESSION JAN. 19 TO FEB. 1, 1977.

5. STATEMENT RE DEATH OF UN STAFF MEMBER CARMELO SORIA ESPINOSA--

ON DEC. 15, UN PRESS SPOKESMAN CONVEYED SYG REJECTION OF WASHINGTON POST EDITORIAL WHICH IMPLIED THAT UN HAD NOT SUFFICIENTLY PURSUED FACTS CONCERNING DEATH OF MR. CARMELO SORIA ESPINOSA LAST SUMMER IN CHILE. SYG HAS REPEATEDLY EXPRESSED DEEP CONCERN TO CHILEAN PERMREP, STATED SPOKESMAN, AND HAS OFFICIALLY REQUESTED COPY OF AUTOPSY AND APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR. THUS FAR, GOC HAS NOT RESPONDED POSITIVELY TO THESE REQUESTS. SPOKESMAN ASSURED CORRESPONDENTS THAT SYG WILL CONTINUE TO PURSUE THIS MATTER AND DID NOT THINK PUBLICITY WOULD HELP, GIVEN NATURE OF THIS TRAGIC CASE. (USUN 6224)

6. UN MEETINGS DEC. 17--

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